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In re application of:)
FOCKE, Heinz et al.) Group Art Unit: 3721
Serial No.: 09/724,016) Examiner: Tawfik, S.
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For: PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR)
PRODUCING HINGE-LID BOXES)
FOR CIGARETTES)

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Sir:

The *Office Action*, Paper No. 10, from Examiner Sameh Tawfik of Art Unit 3721, mailed February 6, 2003, has been received and carefully reviewed. This Response and Amendment and Request for Reconsideration is accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time of one (1) month to and including June 6, 2003, thus making this filing timely.

No new matter is believed introduced by the present Response and Amendment and Request for Reconsideration. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the current rejection of the pending claims for the following reasons and remarks.